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SUBJECT: R/V EASTWARD CLEARANCE REQUEST, 28 FEB -
18 MAR 1977

1. R/V EASTWARD, A PRIVATE VESSEL OPERATED BY DUKE UNIVERSITY MARINE LABORATORY AND FUNDED BY THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, IS PLANNING TO CONDUCT MARINE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH OFF THE PANAMA COAST FROM 28 FEB - 18 MAR 1977. THE PURPOSE OF THE RESEARCH IS TO CONDUCT A GEOPHYSICAL INVESTIGATION OF THE COLOMBIAN BASIN, NICARAGUAN RISE, AND THE GOLFO DE LOS MOSQUITOS TO DETERMINE IF, AND HOW, THIS LINEAR BOUNDARY WAS INVOLVED IN THE PLATE-TECTONIC EVOLUTION OF THE CARIBBEAN REGION.

2. INSTRUMENTS TO BE USED INCLUDE A 3.5 KHZ SEISMIC PROFILER, MAGNETOMETER, PRECISION DEPTH RECORDER, AND A SATELLITE NAVIGATOR. CONTINUOUS OPERATION OF THE EQUIPMENT WILL OCCUR WHILE THE SHIP IS UNDERWAY. A
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SHIP'S TRACK IS BEING POUCHED.

3. CHIEF SCIENTIST IS DR. ERIC CHRISTOFFERSON OF RUTGERS UNIVERSITY. CAPTAIN OF EASTWARD IS R. P. SANDOY WITH A CREW OF 14 AND SCIENTIFIC PARTY OF 14. BERTHS ARE AVAILABLE FOR TWO GOP PARTICIPANTS AND

ALL DATA RESULTS WILL BE SHARED WITH THE GOP.

4. R/V EASTWARD IS 284 GROSS TONS, 117 FT LONG, AND HAS A 12 FT DRAFT. RADIO CALL SIGN IS WY 9219 AND SHIP MONITORS EMERGENCY FREQUENCIES.

5. PORT CALLS WILL BE MADE AT SAN JUAN, P.R. ON 28 FEB AND AT GEORGETOWN, CAYMAN ISLAND ON 18 MAR. PORT CALL ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE BY SHIPPING AGENT.

6. ACTION: EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO SEEK PERMISSION FOR R/V EASTWARD TO CONDUCT RESEARCH WITHIN GOP TERRITORIAL WATERS DURING PERIOD 28 FEB - 18 MAR 1977. FYI. DEPT, AS WELL AS DUKE, REALIZES LEAD-TIME IS LESS THAN DESIRABLE; THEREFORE, IF EMBASSY PERCEIVES PROBLEMS WITH PROCESSING REQUEST YOU MAY WITHHOLD. NSF GRANT FOR RESEARCH WAS JUST APPROVED AND AVAILABILITY OF SHIP AT THIS TIME PERSUADED DEPT TO PROCESS CLEARANCE WITH SHORT NOTICE. END FYI.
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